



AFTER THE COUP: At National Guard headquarters in Panama, Miami-based UPI Latin American correspondent *Matt Kenny* (left) and UPI Panama correspondent *Bill Gorishek* interview troops in the wake of the surprise coup which ousted President Arnulfo Arias 11 days after his inauguration.

Moscow Lifts Visa of Times Reporter

New York Times Moscow correspondent Raymond H. Anderson's re-entry visa was cancelled by the Soviet government last week while he was abroad on vacation.

The Times reported that Fyodor M. Siminov, deputy director of the Foreign Ministry press department, had charged Anderson with "dealing with matters far from journalism," while in Moscow.

This included, he charged, "passing a letter abroad that was received from unauthorized persons."

Anderson had written an unsigned introduction to a letter from Mrs. Natalya Gorbanevskaya, a poet who described a demonstration in Red Square

protesting the invasion of Czechoslovakia, in which she had participated. It was published in The Times Aug. 29.

The OPC protested the action in a wire to the Soviet government. "We urge that you rescind the prohibition on Mr. Anderson's return to Moscow, and that you take steps to insure face-to-face hearings between the press department and any foreign correspondent against whom objections may be raised in the future," the wire said. It was signed by OPC President *Hal Lehrman* and Freedom of the Press Committee *James Halbe*.

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NIXON DECLINES DEBATE AT OPC: KLEIN CITES FCC

The Nixon-Agnew Campaign Committee has declined the OPC's invitation to former Vice President Richard M. Nixon to join Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey in a foreign policy debate sponsored under Club auspices.

The Republican candidate's press secretary, Herbert G. Klein, cited an FCC advisory that such a debate, which would be covered by broadcast media, would constitute an evasion of the equal-time rule (section 315) of FCC law.

Three-Way Debate Out

"As you know, Mr. Nixon has said that he would debate Mr. Humphrey but would not participate in a three-way discussion as provided in the equal time law Congress considered, because he believes in preserving the two-party system," Klein wrote in a letter to OPC President *Hal Lehrman*.

"As to your specific invitation for a two-party meeting at the Club that would be covered by the media, the FCC recently ruled against such an event as an 'evasion' of the equal time rule."

Advisory

Klein was referring to a reported Oct. 15 advisory from the FCC to the National Press Club in Washington, which had sought a similar debate arrangement. The FCC was described as saying that such a debate, without including George Wallace or other minority party candidates, would constitute

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VOTE NOTE

The OPC will be closed on election day, Nov. 5, until 9 p.m., when the bar and short order grill will open. Members will be able to view election results on TV in the grill.

The Bulletin also will close one day early — at noon Monday, Nov. 4.

Get the news news.



Cameraman Jim DeSylva has trouble with Saigon police.

"Background of the news" isn't a cliché when it applies to *The Bulletin*, where newsmen describe the nuts and bolts of their reporting jobs — for the information of their colleagues. The *Bulletin's* roster includes professionals based in nearly every news capital in the world.

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La Nacion Honored On Its 100th Year

BUENOS AIRES — The AP honored La Nacion of Buenos Aires at an Oct. 17 banquet, noting the upcoming 100th anniversary of the influential Argentine daily.

AP General Manager *Wes Gallagher* presented a plaque to La Nacion's editor, Dr. Bartolome Mitre, who founded the newspaper in 1869.

The plaque praised La Nacion for "100 years of leading journalistic work."

Gallagher and World Services Director *Stanley M. Swinton* were in Buenos Aires for the annual meeting of the Inter American Press Association.

Publishers from Argentina, the U.S. and other countries also were present at the banquet.

Gallagher pointed out the close ties between La Nacion and the AP and remarked that the start of news service to the Argentine newspaper in 1919 marked the launching of the AP's world service.

Mitre thanked Gallagher and praised the AP's "outstanding place in the international news community."

BOOK ON WORLD'S NEWSPAPERS

The world's leading newspapers are profiled in a new book, *The Elite Press: Great Newspapers of the World*, by John C. Merrill, is slated for Nov. 25 publication by Pitman Publishing Corp.

Merrill, University of Missouri journalism professor, has made an in-depth survey of forty of the world's top newspapers.

THE SOMEWHERE CROWD

These people are somewhere, but keepers of OPC addresses are nowhere in efforts to locate current locations of these members.

Should you by chance know an address of any of these members, whose mail has been returned to the Club, then please let the OPC office staff know.

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SNOW FILM: ONLY BEST SIDE OF RED CHINA'S RECENT HISTORY

By DAVID RESNICK

Communist China was portrayed favorably but superficially in "The China Story: One-Fourth of Humanity," a documentary film prepared by American writer Edgar Snow. It was filmed at the Club last week during an Edward R. Murrow World Affairs Forum, followed by a critical discussion by a panel of China experts.

The film, written and narrated by Snow, presented only creditable aspects of China's development over the past three decades.

Snow, author of *Red Star Over China*, included footage taken 30 years ago, interspersed with film shots taken in 1965 when he was warmly received by Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai. Among the sequences of this last visit was an interesting, though gory, account of the re-attachment of a man's hand that had been severed, showing the patient undergoing surgery and subsequently using the hand fairly well.

Propaganda Flavor

On the whole, the film seemed to have a propaganda flavor, with smiling faces saying gracious things. There was little inkling of the tremendous size of the country and its vast problems. Instead, there were only a few mass scenes and mostly close-ups of small groups engaged in simple tasks.

"The film gives an inaccurate image of China," declared Karl A. Wittfogel, Professor Emeritus of History at the University of Washington and Visiting Scholar at Columbia University, one of the experts in the post-screening discussion.

"What was really going on in China is not shown in this film," he said. "It presents only what Snow was permitted to see and photograph."

"The agrarian reforms did not materialize in the way they were promised. Officials were corrupt, and during the early years while the Nationalists were fighting the Japanese, the Communists were working with them."

Weak, but Dangerous

The 700,000,000 Chinese constitute an inexhaustible supply of labor and naturally some things can be accomplished, but the peasants are "sour and bitter," Wittfogel said. China is now weak but politically dangerous, he warned, and there is always the danger of an eventual alliance of China and Russia.

"Although China has undergone a so-called cultural revolution, genuine education has been retarded," Wittfogel commented.

Frank N. Trager, Professor of International Affairs at New York University, was equally critical of the Snow film and of Red China. Peking is constantly engaged in aiding and abetting subversion throughout southeast Asia, he charged, speaking from his experience as a former American official in Burma.

Another View

The point of view of James P. Harrison, Assistant Professor of History at Hunter College, differed. He felt the film had "usefully" portrayed the "constructive side" of Red China.

If we are to get non-Communist countries to modernize, said Harrison, we must learn how they can organize a free society. Some of these lessons might be found in the way China has organized and modernized her people.

Two of the Chinese in the audience contributed to the discussion by citing instances of Communist China's injustices to members of their families.

OPC President Hal Lehrman chaired the meeting. The event was arranged by Barrett Gallagher.

NIXON

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such an evasion. (An FCC spokesman informed The Bulletin that no ruling had been issued.)

The Club's Program Council, at the suggestion of the OPC president, issued invitations to the two major presidential candidates Oct. 1. On Oct. 4, Humphrey, the Democratic nominee, accepted the bid (Oct. 19 Bulletin).

In the Council's view, a Humphrey-Nixon guest appearance on the platform of its Edward R. Murrow World Affairs Forum would have allowed wide coverage of privately-sponsored event by all media, without infringement on equal time regulations.

Moscow

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Anderson and his wife, Alevtina, left for Greece Oct. 4. Mrs. Anderson is a Soviet-born naturalized US citizen.

The couple's two small sons were left in the care of Mrs. Anderson's parents in Moscow. The Foreign Ministry spokesman said that it would consider a request by Anderson to return to pick up his children.

Anderson was one of two correspondents based in Moscow for The Times. The other is Henry Kamm, who heads the bureau.

NEW YORK SCENE

Sun., Oct. 27 - Music Event, second anniversary salute to "Cabaret" with stars of the show - Anita Gillette, Despo, and Martin Ross. Sande Campbell, pianist. 4 p.m. Reservations, please.

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Tues., Nov. 5 - Club closed until 9 p.m., when bar and short order service will be available. TV will be in grill for members to watch election results.

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Wed., Nov. 6 - Book Night. "The Money Game," by "Adam Smith." Cocktails 6:30 p.m.; dinner 7:30. \$5.00.

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Mon., Nov. 11 - Music Night, An Evening of French Songs by Colette Boky, Metropolitan Opera soprano. 8:30 p.m.

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Thurs., Nov. 14 - Luncheon, with Sam Greene, "An American Businessman teaches Guatemalans to Help Themselves." 12:30 p.m. \$4.00.

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Wed., Nov. 20 - Edward R. Murrow World Affairs Forum. Muhammad El Farra, Ambassador from the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and Permanent Delegate to the UN. Luncheon 12:30 p.m. \$4.00.

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Wed., Nov. 20 - Music Night. Concert by Caroline Stem and Stephen Kaplan, accompanied by Sam Morgenstern. 8:30 p.m.

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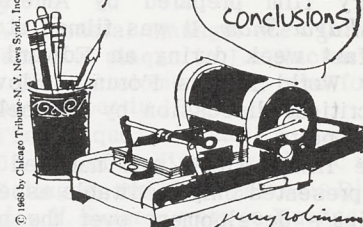
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Letters

NORMAN EBBUTT

Those who served in Berlin during those terrible years of Hitler's rule — and there are not many left now — will learn with regret of the passing of Norman Ebbutt, one of the truly great journalists of our time. His death, which occurred at his home in Sussex, England, received only a three paragraph mention in a UPI dispatch — proof, if any is needed, of the fickleness of public memory and the ephemerality of journalistic fame. Norman Ebbutt was not just a good news reporter with an extraordinary flair for proving right when Neville Chamberlain and Henderson were guessing wrong, but he was courageous enough to set himself against his paper's appeasement policy when the London Times' owners and editors were playing footsie with Hitler's champagne-salesman-cum-ambassador, the late, unlamented von Rippentrop. But unlike the modern Chichesters who get accoladed for supreme acts of courage, Norman Ebbutt was forced into early retirement for defying the editorial trimmer Dawson, to the lasting shame of the Times of London.

Ebbutt as a writer set a terrifically high standard of performance which I, a reporter for the rival paper — the London Daily Telegraph — could admire but never emulate. Though an Englishman of the public school (Harrow, I believe) breed, he had none of the stiff-upper-lippedness, and could be as burblingly ebullient at scooping the rest of us any cub reporter. But he was really at his best holding forth at the Taverna's stammtisch, which served the foreign press corps anchored in Berlin in those Hitler years as a sort of OPC bar-grill. As the press corps' doyen, he served as sage and guide to younger latecomers to the stammtisch circle. But he was never above taking part in a leg-pull of visiting firemen,

particularly if they came from the Cliveden appeasement set.

My most endearing memory of Norman Ebbutt is his imperturbable good humor after one of my worst faux pas. To celebrate my first published lead-page story, I threw a cocktail party in the absence of my boss, using his bottled bitters as drink mixers without knowing that the bitters were really purgative waters. Ebbutt took it as a big joke, but my other guests, including the late Junius B. Wood, were not at all amused. If the British had paid more heed to Norman Ebbutt's press dispatches from Berlin during the years 1933-38, they might not have had to fight the terrible costly wars of 1939-45.

Rhea Clyman
New York.

HENRI TOSTI RUSSELL DIES; WAS UP VETERAN

ESTORIL, Portugal — Henri Tosti Russell, a hard-driving journalist who broke the story of British King Edward VIII's decision to abdicate in 1936, died at his home here Oct. 10 of lung cancer. He was 72.

Russell, former OPC member, worked 25 years with United Press (now UPI) and later freelanced for several American and British newspapers and magazines.

During his years with UP, Russell worked in the London bureau and served as manager of the Brussels, Belgium, bureau following World War II.

Among his major stories were interviews with Italian dictator Benito Mussolini and Col. T.E. Lawrence, along with breaking the story on Edward VIII's decision to give up his throne and marry Baltimore divorcee Wallis Warfield Simpson.

Russell retired to Portugal in 1950 and had been bedridden since the beginning of last year.

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CHECKING IN: **Lorraine Galling** from Italy.

NEW POSTS: **Dudley B. Martin** has returned to the NY Times. . . . **Charles P. Arnot** named ABC radio news mid-west bureau chief. He'll be based in Chicago. . . . **Donald C. Bolles**, who moved from NY to the Bahamas a year ago, is now resident manager in Freeport of a PR and advertising firm, Diversified Services of the Bahama Islands, Inc. It is affiliated with Interpublic and also has an office in Nassau.

ARTICLES: The Metropolitan Sunday Group distributing **Lisa Hoffman's** photo story on "Oskar Werner Speaks Out." She has also authored a piece on

witches for the Oct. 27 NY Sunday News. . . . **Ted J. Rakstis** in the October Today's Health with "Meet the New School Nurse" and in October Kiwanis Magazine with "The Auctioneering Games." Upcoming in the fall issue of Northwestern Review, his article on football recruiting at Northwestern U.

BOOKS: A biography of Jawaharlal Nehru by **Emil Lengyel** out via Watts. . . . "The Bird Watcher," by **Joe Alex Morris**, out in paperback.

RADIO & TV: **Meg Whitcomb** to appear on French TV's version of "Issues and Answers," along with two other American women — a Democrat and an Independent — to explain, from a woman's point of view, the upcoming elections. . . . **Will Yolen** and **Cornell Capa** on Casper Citron's TV program Oct. 22, plugging the new OPC Book, "Heroes for Our Times." **Norman Cousins** and **Dorothy Ducas** appearing on Citron's radio show for the same purpose. . . . **Harold Mantell** back from Mexico City, where he produced a one-hour film for National Educational Television on the cultural-historical background and organization of the Olympics. "Olympic Boy" will be seen on NET's 130-odd affiliate stations early in '69. Mantell is also completing production of a film he photographed in Argentina during August on the life and times of Latin America's foremost man of letters,

LEVITON:

On European reporting trip.



Jorge Luis Borges. "Borges: Man Against Darkness" will be distributed by NBC International.

SPEAKERS: **Maurice Adams**, Sydney (Australia) Morning Herald, on a four-day hurricane-circuit lecture swing of Texas, Louisiana, Central Florida discussing "The Role of the UN in a Mod World" at Grambling College and UNA-USA gatherings observing United Nations Week. . . . **Charles C. Lane**, AP European picture co-ordinator, spoke Oct. 15 on international newsphoto agency operations at the London Polytechnic Center for Communications Studies. The Center is a university-level group specializing in public media.

JUDGES: **Edward W. Barrett**, former dean of Columbia's Graduate School of Journalism, and **Ralph McGill**, syndicated columnist and publisher of the Atlanta Constitution, are two of the five judges who will choose the National Magazine Awards for 1968.

CANDIDATE: **Alan Cranston** running for US Senate seat from California (on the Democratic ticket).



ARNOT:

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bureau chief.



CORNERED: Photographer **Charles E. Rotkin**, normally at work taking pictures from airplanes, grounded himself long enough to appear at the opening of an OPC exhibit of photographs from his new picture book, *The USA: An Aerial Close-UP*.



EYEFUL: Exhibit of Rotkin photographs drew about 200 to its OPC opening. Pictures will be on display through Christmas.

(Photos by Sibby Christensen)